

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF)
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FOR: Cabinet for Electronic)
Equipment)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir,

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.97-1.98, submitted herewith is Form PTO-1449 along with copies of the two references identified therein. Also submitted herewith is a copy of the British search report dated September 17, 2003 in which these references were cited.

DE 3600746 describes a switch cabinet framework consisting of two sheet-metal blanks (1, 11) connected together by strips (15-18). There is clearly no suggestion in this of forming a cabinet from a pair of rectangular welded frames connected together as defined in claim 1.

JP 7274313 describes a switchboard consisting of a box framework. Here again, there is no suggestion of forming a cabinet from a pair of rectangular welded frames connected together as defined in claim 1.

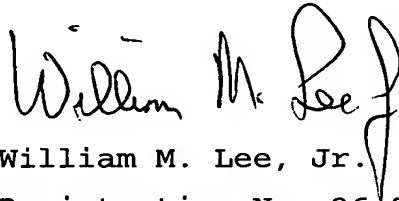
It is therefore submitted that, despite the citation of these references in the British search report as X and Y category documents, the claims of this application are clearly patentable over these references.

Examination of the application on its merits is awaited.

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Respectfully Submitted

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